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1. The House has appointed the following conferees on the Military Construction bill: Carl Vinson (D., Ga.), Overton Brooks (D., La.), Paul J. Kilday (D., Tex.), Dewey Short (R., Mo.), and Leslie C. Arends (R., Ill.). The conferees will meet at 2 o'clock on 6 July.

2. I talked with Mr. Smart, Counsel to the House Armed Services Committee, who stated that he hoped that the House would be able to recede on certain amendments so that they could hold firm and request the Senate to recede on its reduction of the CIA authorization.

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3. I talked with John Fisher, Legislative Assistant to Senator Saltonstall, and he requested that they be furnished with a copy of our letter to Senator Stennis requesting the restoration of the . The letter is being supplied.

4. Mr. Hewitt, of the Senate Appropriations Committee staff, stated that the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee would handle the CIA building appropriation; that the Subcommittee would commence hearings on 7 July; and that it was improbable that CIA would be reached until next week. It is recommended that the DCI call Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Hayden (who is also on the Defense Subcommittee) and suggest that Col. White talk with Chairman Hayden about the construction appropriation. Senator Chavez is Chairman of the Subcommittee but has never handled any CIA matter directly.

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6. The luncheon with Congressman Deane scheduled for 11 July has been rescheduled for 18 July.

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